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AIRPORT, TOKYO, JANUARY 30, 1977

FOLLOWING IS ARRIVAL STATEMENT AS DELIVERED:

1. MR. MINISTERS AND MR. AMBASSADORS AND OFFICIALS, I AM
DELIGHTED TO BE IN TOKYO LITERALLY DAYS AFTER THE NEW CARTER
ADMINISTRATION HAS ASSUMED OFFICE IN MY OWN COUNTRY, THE
UNITED STATES. PRESIDENT CARTER HAS ASKED ME TO COME TO TOKYO
TO EXPRESS HIS PERSONAL GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES TO THE PEOPLE
OF JAPAN, AND TO BEGIN TALKS AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT,
TO DEVELOP THE CLOSEST POSSIBLE COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP AND
PARTNERSHIP WITH THE GOVERNMENT AND ITS LEADERS HERE IN JAPAN.
MY TRIP UNDERSCORES THE IMPORTANCE THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION
ATTACHES TO THE DEEPENING COOPERATION AMONG THE INDUSTRIALIZED
DEMOCRACIES, AND I HAVE COME TO REAFFIRM OUR CONTINUED
INTEREST AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE PACIFIC-ASIAN REGION.
I HAVE COME TO LISTEN TO THE VIEWS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT,
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AND TO ASSURE THAT OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS SUSTAIN THE
CLOSEST POSSIBLE COOPERATIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP, BASED
ON MUTUAL RESPECT AND PARTNERSHIP. AND IT IS FITTING
THAT WE SHOULD CONSULT TOGETHER AT THIS TIME. THERE IS
NO NATION WITH WHOM WE SHARE A BROADER RANGE OF INTERESTS
THAN JAPAN. WILL BE DISCUSSING MANY COMMON INTERNATIONAL
PROBLEMS WITH PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA, INCLUDING ECONOMIC

STIMULATION IN THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES BECAUSE WE
RECOGNIZE THE IMPACT THAT DOMESTIC ECONOMIC MEASURES HAVE
ON THE WORLD ECONOMY; WE WILL BE DISCUSSING TRADE NEGOTIATIONS,
BECAUSE WE RECOGNIZE THE NEED FOR ALL NATIONS TO AVOID MEASURES
WHICH, IN THE LONG RUN, ARE HARMFUL TO ALL; AND WE WILL BE DISCUSSING
OTHER ISSUES IN WHICH WE HAVE CONVERGING INTERESTS.

2. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION REGARDS CLOSE
TIES WITH JAPAN AS ONE OF THE CORNERSTONES OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY
AND AN INDISPENSIBLE PREREQUISITE FOR ANY SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO
MANAGE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND TO DEVISE WISE AND
EQUITABLE SOLUTIONS FOR GLOBAL PROBLEMS.

3. I LOOK FORWARD TO MY DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PRIME MINISTER.
WE INTEND TO CONSULT FULLY AND FRANKLY, AND TO NURTURE THAT
SPIRIT OF COOPERATION THAT HAS COME TO MARK THE PARTNERSHIP
BETWEEN OUR TWO GREAT COUNTRIES.

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